

## Message Text

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R 290050Z MAR 78  
FM AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9150  
INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK  
AMCONSUL HONG KONG  
AMEMBASSY PARIS  
USLO PEKING  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENTIANE 0388

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: EAIR PEPR LA VM CB CH  
SUBJECT: REGULAR PEKING-PHOM PENH AIR FLIGHTS REPORTED TO BEGIN  
OVERFLYING LAOS AIRSPACE

REF: PEKING 0728

1. A RELIABLE WEST EUROPEAN DIPLOMAT TOLD US MARCH 28  
THAT A CHINESE CIVIL AVIATION DELEGATION VISITED VIENTIANE DURING THE THIRD WEEK OF MARCH AND WITHOUT  
PUBLICITY CONCLUDED AN AGREEMENT THAT WILL PERMIT  
REGULAR PRC FLIGHTS FROM PEKING ACROSS LAO AIR SPACE TO  
PHNOM PENH. PREVIOUSLY, PRC FLIGHTS TO KAMPUCHEA  
REPORTEDLY TRANSITED A LONGER ROUTE OVER INTERNATIONAL  
WATERS.

2. WHEN WE NOTED THE PRESUMABLE VIETNAMESE OPPOSITION  
TO SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT THE SOURCE SPECULATED THAT  
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PERHAPS THE CHINESE OFFERED THE LAO A "DEAL THEY  
COULDN'T REFUSE."

3. REFTTEL NOTED THAT FLIGHTS BETWEEN PEKING AND PHNOM  
PENH HAVE INCREASED FROM BIWEEKLY TO ONCE A WEEK.  
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